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- 2. I was informed by a representative of the publisher of the journal <u>Cell</u> that the volume containing Varon et al. (<u>Cell</u>, <u>93</u>:467 (1998)) and Carney et al. (<u>Cell</u>, <u>93</u>:477 (1998)) was first available on either April 30, 1998 or May 1, 1998.
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